REMARKS

The Official Action is a restriction/election requirement between six identified species.

Responsive to the requirement, Applicants elect Species I, claims 1-23, drawn to a hearing aid with a connecting houser.

Applicant has responded to this requirement by including an identification of the species that is elected consistent with this requirement, and identifying a list of all claims readable thereon (claims 1-23). Applicant notes the requirement to identify any subsequently added claims as reading on the elected species.

Applicant also notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claim to additional species which are written in independent form or otherwise include the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

Examination on the merits is solicited.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future submissions, to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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